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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
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## CLASSIFICATION:

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Date 8/29/85

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (12-11144)  
 (ATTENTION: NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS UNIT,  
 ORGANIZED CRIME SECTION, CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE  
 DIVISION)

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (12A-256) (P)

NICOLO SALVATORE SAFINA, aka;  
 NARCOTICS MATTER;  
 OO: MILWAUKEE

Re Milwaukee airtel to Bureau, dated 1/25/85.

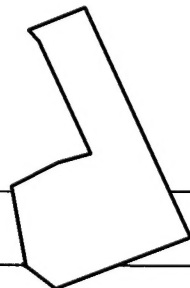
For information of the Bureau, in 7/85, FBI/DEA began  
 a joint investigative effort against SAFINA. By combining the  
resources of both agencies, an investigative strategy was proposed

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In addition to the above operation against SAFINA, FBI has issued subpoenas for toll records of SAFINA'S numerous telephones and those of a [REDACTED]

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As a prosecutable case has been made against SAFINA and DEA concurs with FBI'S original investigative goals set forth in referenced airtel, SAFINA in the immediate future will be secretly confronted with the evidence against him. His cooperation will be sought to further this drug investigation and to obtain his knowledge of past and present LCN activities. Further, his cooperation will be sought in searching his restaurant and residence located above the restaurant. Should SAFINA refuse to cooperate at this time, a Federal search warrant will be executed on his restaurant and residence. No arrest of SAFINA is anticipated at this time pending future indictment. Based on the investigation to date, sufficient probable cause exists to seize the building containing SAFINA'S restaurant and residence. Information from FBI source indicates that the property may have a value near \$1,000,000.00. SAFINA, however, has filed Chapter 11 on his business and all his property is currently in the control of the Federal Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin. A preliminary check by DEA with the bankruptcy court indicates that SAFINA presently does have assets in excess of his liabilities.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

DEA is taking the lead role in this investigation and will handle reporting and prosecution. Milwaukee believes this is the correct approach as DEA has expended considerable resources and manpower and will be able to proceed with the drug case without continued FBI involvement should our goal of obtaining LCN intelligence from SAFINA fail.

DEA is conducting their investigation under their case entitled [REDACTED]

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[redacted] from ANTHONY PIPITO. At that time, PIPITO was in jail on charges stemming from Milwaukee OCDE Task Force case entitled "ANTHONY F. PIPITO: ET AL: (Milwaukee file [redacted]". [redacted]

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